

## Required Steps for Becoming a Rural Arizona Cardiac Arrest Center (CAC)

### In order to be recognized as a Rural Cardiac Arrest Center, a hospital must have:

- 1) a Therapeutic Hypothermia (TH) method and associated protocol for out-of-hospital cardiac arrest (OHCA).
- 2) transfer agreements when PCI is warranted.
- 3) a system, included in the protocol, for timely completion and submission of the one-page data collection tool for **EACH** OHCA patient (NOT just cooled patients). CAC data form can be found on the SHARE website: <http://www.azshare.gov/Info4CAC.htm>.
- 4) an evidence-based termination of resuscitation protocol.
- 5) a protocol to address organ donation.

--- Providing CPR training for the community is encouraged ---

### After determining your preferred TH method, follow these steps to receive Rural CAC recognition:

- 1) Notify SHARE of anticipated start date.\*
- 2) Submit 6 months of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest baseline data to SHARE using the CAC data form.\*\*
- 3) Send Letter of Intent with TH protocol attached.\*\*\*

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\*\* CAC data form can be found on the SHARE website in the “Info for Cardiac Arrest Centers” section: <http://www.azshare.gov/Info4CAC.htm>.

- There is a **Fillable Version** that can be filled out on a computer and sent as an email attachment (instructions on form).
- There is a **Printable Version** that can be filled out by hand and FAXed or mailed (instructions on form).

\*\*\* Letter of Intent template can be found on the SHARE website: <http://www.azshare.gov/Info4CAC.htm>